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FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS FOR FLORISTS

Bulbs from Holland

The export of Holland bulbs in 1946 will again be under the supervision of the Netherlands Government, just as it was in the 1945 season.

The prices and terms listed, we believe, will be in force at the time of shipment, but we reserve the right to change these figures, if the fiscal policy of our own Government causes an inflationary trend and prices generally are forced upward.

NOTICE!

These Prices are Tentative

Send us your order now at these prices. If any further price changes are necessary you will be notified by our acknowledgment before bulbs are shipped, with the understanding that you reserve the right to cancel if revised prices are unsatisfactory.

The prices listed here are for case lots of bulbs packed and shipped direct to our customers from Holland. These orders must be received by us **before July 15**; after that date we will pack and ship your bulbs from West Chicago, for which there will be an additional packing charge of 5%.

In order to facilitate the execution of your shipment, order as nearly as possible in the following units, or multiples thereof:

Hyacinths			Daffodils			
Top size First size Second size Bedding size	19 cm. and over 18/19 17/18 16/17	50 per unit 50 per unit 100 per unit 100 per unit	(bag) Large Trumpets (bag)		500 per unit 750 per unit Trumpets.	
Miniature Small Miniature	15/16 14/15	175 per unit 200 per unit		and Poeticus varieties: DN No. 1	750 per unit	(case)
Tulips All sizes		250 per unit	(bag)	DN No. 2	1250 per unit	

BULBS FOR FORCING PURPOSES

We feel that the present lists of Holland bulbs contain far too many varieties, which tends to confuse the buyer. It is, therefore, suggested to divide the forcing season into 5 periods and to select a limited number of outstanding varieties for each of the following periods.

1. JANUARY FORCING

TULIPS 12 up per M	11-12 per M	TULIPS, continued 12 up	11-12 per M
Single Early Brilliant Star. Scarlet\$70.00	\$57.50	Darwin Rose Copeland. Lilac rose\$57.50 Darwin William Copeland. Lavender 57.50	\$47.50
Single Early Prince of Austria. Scarlet 70.00	57.50		47.50
Single Early General de Wet. Yellow 70.00	57.50	DAFFODILS DN No. 1 Per M	DN No. 2
Single Early Ibis. Deep Rose 70.00	57.50		Per M
Single Early Fred. Moore. Orange	57.50 47.50	Trumpet Golden Harvest. Solid yellow 96.00 Incomparabilis Helios. Sulphur and orange 75.00	80.00 60.00

PLANTS, BULBS AND PLANT BANDS FOR FLORISTS

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2. THE VALE TIME'S DAY CROP

TULIPS	12 up per M	11-12 per M
Darwin Bartigon. Fiery red	557.50 57.50 57.50 57.50 57.50 57.50 60.00 70.00 57.50 70.00 70.00 70.00	\$47.50 47.50 47.50 47.50 47.50 50.00 57.50 47.50 57.50 57.50 57.50 57.50
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Ball Hyacinths are second to none in quality

DAFFODILS DN N Per	
Trumpet King Alfred. Solid yellow \$90. Poetaz Laurens Koster. White, yellow cup 65.	
Incomparabilis Havelock. Solid yellow 95.	

HYACINTHS

L'Innocence. White.	Perle Brilliante. Clear blue.
Marconi. Bright pink.	Dr. Lieber. Porcelain blue.
Pink Pearl. Rosy pink.	La Victoire. Rosy red.
Grand Maitre. Deep blue.	

Prices all Hyacinths per M: Top size is 19 up, \$180.00; 1st size 18-19, \$150.00; 2nd size 17-18, \$130.00; 3rd size 16-17, \$120.00; 4th size 15-16, \$100.00; 5th size 14-15, \$80.00.

3. MARCH FORCING

TULIPS	12 up per M	per M
Darwin Bartigon. Fiery red	\$57.50	\$47.50
Darwin Campfire. Scarlet		47.50
Darwin Philip Snowdon. Dark rose		47.50
Darwin Rose Copeland. Lilac rose	57.50	47.50
Darwin Insurpassable. Lavender	60.00	50.00
Darwin Princess Elizabeth. Bright pink	57.50	47.50
Triumph Korneforos. Crimson	62.50	52.50
Triumph Alberio. Deep red	62.50	52.50
Triumph Kansas. White	57.50	47.50
Cottage Carrara. White	57.50	47.50
Cottage Wall Street. Yellow	57.50	47.50
Cottage Golden Harvest. Yellow		50.00
DAFFODILS	DN No. 1 Per M	DN No. 2 Per M
Trumpet King Alfred. Solid yellow	90.00	70.00
Trumpet Spring Glory. White and yellow	90.00	70.00
Incomparabilis Carlton. Solid yellow	75.00	60.00
Poetaz Early Perfection. Lemon yellow	65.00	52.00
Double Cheerfulness. Creamy white	65.00	52.00
Double Von Sion. Golden yellow	86.00	68.00
Poeticus Actaea. White, yellow cup	65.00	52.00

HYACINTHS

L'Innocence. White.
Marconi. Bright pink.
Pink Pearl. Rosy pink.
Grand Maitre. Deep blue.

Perle Brilliante. Clear blue. Dr. Lieber. Porcelain blue. La Victoire. Rosy red.

Prices all Hyacinths per M: Top size 19 up, \$180.00; 1st size 18-19, \$150.00; 2nd size 17-18, \$130.00; 3rd size 16-17, \$120.00; 4th size 15-16, \$100.00; 5th size 14-15, \$80.00.

4. THE EASTER CROP (APRIL 6, 1947)

TULIPS 12 uper A		DAFFODILS	DN No. 1 DN No. 2 Per M Per M
Triumph Korneforos. Crimson\$62.5	50 \$52.50	Trumpet King Alfred. Solid ye	llow\$90.00 \$70.00
Triumph Crater. Carmine red	50 52.50	Poetaz La Fiancee. White, yello	w cup 75.00 57.50
Triumph Alberio. Deep red 62.5	50 52.50	Double Von Sion. Golden yell	ow 86.00 68.00
Triumph Elizabeth Evers. Lilac rose 57.5	60 47.50	Double Cheerfulness. Creamy	white 65.00 52.00
Cottage Carrara. White 57.5	50 47.50	Barrii Lady Moore. White, yello	ow cup 75.00 60.00
Cottage Albino. White 57.5	50 47.50		
Cottage Golden Harvest. Yellow 60.0	50.00	HYACINTHS	
Darwin Princess Elizabeth. Bright pink 57.5	50 47.50	L'Innocence. White.	Perle Brilliante. Clear blue.
Darwin Farncombe Sanders. Scarlet 57.5	60 47.50	Marconi. Bright pink.	Dr. Lieber. Porcelain blue.
Darwin Insurpassable. Lavender 60.0	50.00	Pink Pearl. Rosy pink.	La Victoire. Rosy red.
Darwin Campfire. Scarlet 57.5	50 47.50	Grand Maitre. Deep blue.	La victoire. Rosy rea.
Darwin Sunkist. Yellow 60.0	50.00	Grana Mantre. Deep Blue.	
Double Early Mr. Van der Hoeff. Yellow 70.0	00 57.50		
Double Early Peach Blossom. Deep pink 70.0	57.50	Prices all Hyacinths per M: Top	size 19 up, \$180.00; 1st size
Double Early Orange Nassau. Orange red 70.0	57.50	18-19, \$150.00; 2nd size 17-1	8, \$130.00 ; 3rd size 16-17,
Double Early Electra. Rosy violet 70.0	57.50	\$120.00; 4th size 15-16, \$100.	00; 5th size 14-15, \$80.00.

GROWER TALKS

Our monthly publication intended to remind you of crops to be started. Travel notes by Geo. J. Ball and others, trial ground notes, and special articles make it of direct interest to growers. 40c per year; two years for 75c.

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BALL RED BOOK

We hope to get a new edition revised early in '46. It covers the practical cultural details of about 160 greenhouse crops and, being a form of our service, is priced at the cost of printing and mailing 40c, will gladly book you for it and mail when ready.

PLANTS-BULBS Do you know that Geo, J. Ball, Inc. have a complete Plant and Bulb Dept.? Write for prices on greenhouse items. We have all bulbs in season, Lilies, Daffodils, etc. Growing instructions with orders for most items. All florists know that success with seeds depends largely upon weather and general germination conditions, so in accordance with the universal custom of the seed trade, we, Geo. J. Ball, Inc., give no warranty, express or implied, as to the productiveness of any seeds, bulbs, or plants we send out and we will not be in any way responsible for the crop. Our liability, in all instances, is limited to the purchase price of the seed, bulbs, or plants.

On Seed orders only (except Cyclamen) a cash discount of 5% is allowed. On orders of \$25.00 or more, 8% is allowed. NO CASH DISCOUNT ALLOWED ON Booklets, Plant Bands, Plants, or Bulbs.

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5. THE MOTHER'S DAY CROP (MAY 11, 1947)

T	ULIPS		per M	per M
	Darwin	Campfire. Scarlet	\$57.50	\$47.50
	Darwin	Farncombe Sanders. Scarlet	57.50	47.50
	Darwin	Charles Needham. Vermillion	62.50	52.50
	Darwin	Insurpassable. Lavender	60.00	50.00
	Darwin	Glacier. White	62.50	52.50
	Darwin	Niphetos. Sulphur yellow	57.50	47.50
	Cottage	Mrs. John T. Scheepers. Yellow	62.50	52.50
	Cottage	Rosabella. Pale rose	62.50	52.50

HOLLAND GROWN IRIS

These Iris bulbs must be inspected upon arrival in New York City. While we believe they will pass this government inspection, orders are accepted subject to our ability to ship them at that time.

Wedgewood—8/9-9/10-10 up Imperator—6/7-7/8-8/9White Excelsior—6/7-7/8-8/9 Yellow Queen—5/6-6/7-7/8

PRICES LATER

In addition to the foregoing Bulbs we can furnish almost any other variety that is imported from Holland. Send us a list of your needs; we will send you our acknowledgment with prices quoted as soon as these prices are established.

DRY BULBS FOR RETAIL SALES

Prior to the war, the average amateur gardener in a small town could only buy bulbs of inferior quality from mail order houses or, at best, share some varieties of bulbs suitable only for commercial forcing with his local florist.

It is our belief that with the proper use of colored plates, full cultural directions, and the supply of a good honest grade of bulbs suitable for garden purposes, this field has unlimited possibilities for the retailer.

The name of a variety with the exception of a descriptive name like "White Giant" or a popular name like "Spring Glory" means little or nothing to the average amateur or florist, but the name "Ball" stands for quality. It is our contention that the name "Ball" should be capitalized in the promotion of the sale of dry bulbs. "Ball's Seeds" deservedly have a worldwide reputation, why not "Ball's Bulbs".

Rather than use the name "Charles Needham" for a red tulip or the name "Le Notre" for a pink one, George J. Ball, Inc. offers "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Giant Long Stemmed Tulips in the following 8 colors: Brilliant Red, Shell Pink, Deep Rose, Ox-blood Red, Warm Orange, Golden Yellow, Royal Purple, Pure White.

In order to help promote the sale of "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Spring Flowering bulbs, we will supply with each order free of charge:

1 large poster, approximately 36x24" featuring Holland bulbs and 15 colored plates, approximately 4x5" showing each individual variety. (See photo above.)

For over the counter sales we offer 2 units:

Unit A consisting of 2 cases containing

Case I	
2000 "Ball's Royal Park" Bre	
250 Brilliant Red	250 Warm Orange
250 Shell Pink	250 Golden Yellow
250 Deep Rose	250 Royal Purple
250 Ox-blood Red	250 Pure White
250 "Ball's Royal Park" Bran	d Hyacinths
50 Shell Pink	50 Sky Blue
50 Pure White	50 Royal Purple
50 Coral Red	
500 "Ball's Royal Park" Bran 100 Pure White	nd old fashioned Crocus
100 Bishop's Purple	100 Golden Yellow
100 Sweet Lavender	100 Striped Delft Blue
250 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand	I sweet scented Grape Hyacinths
Case 2	

200 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand sweet scented Poet's Narcissi

200 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Golden Trumpet Daffodils 200 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Giant Narcissi

The price of the above Unit "A" consisting of 2 cases (3600 bulbs), F.O.B. Chicago or New York City, is \$150.00.



To help your bulb sales, this colored 24x36" poster together with 15 colored plates 4x5" will be sent free with each unit order listed below.

Unit B consisting of 1 case, containing

1000 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Tulips in 8 varieties: 125

125 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Hyacinths in 5 varieties: 25 of each.

500 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand old fashioned Crocus in 5 varieties: 100 of each.

250 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand sweet scented Grape Hyacinths.

100 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Golden Trumpet Daffodils.
100 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand Giant Narcissi.
100 "Ball's Royal Park" Brand sweet scented Poet's Narcissi.

The price of the above Unit "B" consisting of one case contain

ing 2175 bulbs, F.O.B. Chicago or New York City, is \$80.00.

The proportion of varieties in the above collections is based upon the experience of several retail seed stores who have sold bulbs for many years.

As an illustration of the sales possibilities of spring flowering bulbs for small town florists, it may be of interest to relate the experience of a seed store in a New York community of some 3000 people.

This dealer does a nice business in cut flowers which is supplemented in the spring with the sale of seeds and in the fall with bulbs. In his store, he displays the bulbs in four quart "straw-berry" baskets, each basket showing a colored picture of the variety and a small white label stating the price per dozen and per hundred. These baskets are arranged on a low table in five tiers with a background of the large poster, "Buy Your Bulbs Here."

From the middle of September until the end of November 1945, this dealer's bulb sales amounted to over \$2000 which would be the equivalent of seven units A.

He attributes his success to several factors, mainly:

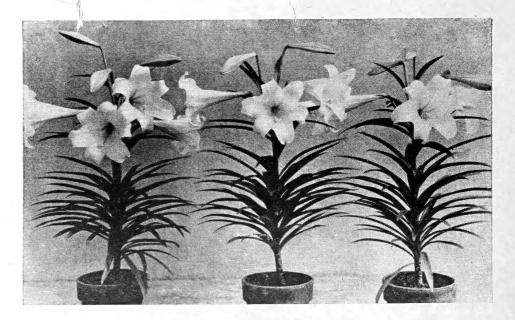
- a. Colored pictures and posters. People like to see what they are buying.
- b. Quality merchandise. Only quality can demand a good price, and moreover, people are getting tired of poor results with chain store bulbs packed in attractive containers but lacking quality.
- c. Bulbs true to color description.
- d. Start the display, and at the same time the sales, as early as possible. Not later than September 15.
- e. Cultural directions given verbally by a trained horticulturist, the florist.

LILIES

Delivery Fall 1946

ORDER LILIES IN CASE LOTS ONLY

Reserve your requirements now for later shipment. We will send confirming prices just as soon as they are established.



CREOLE LILIES

This strain is well grown, carefully rogued and graded to size.

1	case	7.8	200	Bulbs
		10	300	builds
1	case	8-9	250	Bulbs
	case	9-10	200	Bulbs
1	case	10-up	150	Bulbs

PEERLESS LILIES

The best strain of Florida Lilies. Excellent for cutting, as well as pot plants.

1	case	6-8 250	Bulbs
1	case	8-10 150	Bulbs
]	case	10-up 100	Bulbs

CROFT LILIES

The true Croft Lily. (Pictured above) By far the best bulbs to force for Easter. Our supply of this true strain is limited.

1	case	7-8	180	Bulbs
1	case	8-9	130	Bulbs
1	case	9-10	110	Bulbs

MEXICAN "GIGS"

The finest grade imported from Mexico. Good for both pot plants and cutting.

1	case	7-8	250	Bulbs
	case	8-9	200	Bulbs
		9-10		Bulbs
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1	case	10-11	100	Bulbs

REGALE LILIES

	Northwest bulbs. delivery when yo	
1 case	6-7	250 Bulbs
1 case	7-8	250 Bulbs
1 case	8-9	200 Bulbs
1 case	9-10	100 Bulbs

AMERICAN GROWN BULBS

All American-grown bulbs that we offer are from selected planting stocks of the country's leading growers located in the favorable growing areas of the Pacific Northwest.

FREESIAS STANDARD COMMERCIAL VARIETIES

Purity Superflora-Early White Golden Daffodil-Yellow, Early Rainbow Mixture Price per thousand

1/2-5/8"-\$12.00

5/8 - 3/4"---\$18.00

3/4 - 7/8"-\$30.00

TECOLOTE FREESIAS

Flowers larger, stronger and finer than the Standard Commercial Varieties.

Marie (New) The largest and best pure white Freesia

Price per thousand 5/8 - 3/4"—\$60.00 1/2-5/8"-\$47.50

3/4 - 7/8"--\$70.00

Tecolote Freesia—Talisman—White, Yellow, Rose, Red, Laven-

der, Blue, Pink and Purple.

Price per thousand 5/8 - 3/4"-\$30.00 1/2-5/8"-\$22.50

3/4 - 7/8"-\$37.50

RANUNCULUS

Mixed Shades Price per thousand 3/4 - 7/8" -- \$32.50 1/8-1"-\$40.00

5/8 - 3/4"-\$25.00

Separate Shades

Price per thousand 5/8-3/4"-\$30.00 3/4 - 7/8"-\$35.00

7/8-1"-\$45.00 Gold COLORS:-Red Yellow Pink White Orange

CALLA AETHIOPICA (Large White)

1 1/4-1 1/2"......\$ 90.00 per M 1 3/4-2".....\$240.00 per M 1½x1¾"...... 180.00 per M 2" up......... 300.00 per M

CALLA ELLIOTTIANA (Yellow)

13/4-2"-\$85.00 2-21/2".....\$130.00 per M 21/2-3".....\$230.00 per M

CALLA REHMANII SUPERBA (Pink)

1 1/4-1 1/2".....\$20.00 per C

ANEMONE

Monarch De Caen, Single Poppy Type Price per thousand

7/8"-up-\$42.50

3/4 - 7/8"-\$32.50 5/8-3/4"-\$27.50

St. Brigid "Creagh Castle" Double Blue Poppy, Bright blue, single His Excellency, Bright scarlet, single

The Bride, Pure white, single

Price per thousand

5/8-3/4"-\$25.00 7/8-1"-\$40.00 3/4 - 7/8" -- \$32.50

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